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1. Applicant's arguments filed December 23, 2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

On page 3, third paragraph of applicant's remarks in response to office correspondence , applicant argued that "receiving, by a first network element that transmits to mobile terminals, at least one information element from at least one other second network element, wherein said information element indicates an initial transmission power for transmission to a mobile terminal, in a case of radio link reconfiguration between said first network element and said mobile terminal, which changes the transmission power for said radio link?"

The examiner respectfully disagrees. Cao teaches , in similar to applicant invention, UTRAN network includes Radio Network Controller (RNC) with plurality of base stations (Node B) and User Equipment (UE) configured to radio channel in control signaling between a RNC, a base station (Node B) and mobile stations (UEs) is completed (column 3, line 52 through column 4, line 20 and figure 2) in which radio channel information is configured by exchanging messages such as , synchronization capability and require power control preamble length and inner loop power control, then the mobile station responds with radio bearer reconfiguration complete message.

Cao further more, teaches the base station transmits down link transmission to mobile station (UE) (figure 3 element (8), in which a process of adjusting the mobile station to the new radio channel "initial transmission power" starts with downlink (i.e., to the mobile station) transmission from the base station on the new down link radio channel (see column 4, line 21-24 and figure 3 item (8) in which the process of adjusting the mobile station to a new radio channel " indicating an initial transmission power" and the process of adjusting transmission power level indicated based on the configuration process to the

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mobile station transmits on the new down link radio channel.

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